

**TOWN OF EAST LYME, CONNECTICUT  
FEDERAL SINGLE AUDIT REPORT  
JUNE 30, 2020**



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**Independent Auditors' Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program; Report on Internal Control over Compliance; and Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Required by the Uniform Guidance**

To the Members of the Town Council  
Town of East Lyme, Connecticut

**Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program**

We have audited the Town of East Lyme, Connecticut's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Town of East Lyme, Connecticut's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2020. The Town of East Lyme, Connecticut's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

***Management's Responsibility***

Management is responsible for compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its federal awards applicable to its federal programs.

***Auditors' Responsibility***

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the Town of East Lyme, Connecticut's major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Those standards and the Uniform Guidance require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Town of East Lyme, Connecticut's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Town of East Lyme, Connecticut's compliance.

## ***Opinion on Each Major Federal Program***

In our opinion, the Town of East Lyme, Connecticut, complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2020.

## **Report on Internal Control over Compliance**

Management of the Town of East Lyme, Connecticut, is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the Town of East Lyme, Connecticut's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of East Lyme, Connecticut's internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, we did identify a certain deficiency in internal control over compliance, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2020-002, that we consider to be a significant deficiency.

The Town of East Lyme, Connecticut's response to the internal control over compliance finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. The Town of East Lyme, Connecticut's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance, and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

## Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Required by the Uniform Guidance

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of East Lyme, Connecticut, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town of East Lyme, Connecticut's basic financial statements. We issued our report thereon dated May 13, 2021, which contained unmodified opinions on those financial statements. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the Uniform Guidance and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

*Clifton Larson Allen LLP*

West Hartford, Connecticut  
May 13, 2021

**TOWN OF EAST LYME, CONNECTICUT  
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/ Program or Cluster Title	Federal CFDA Number	Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number	Passed Through to Subrecipients	Total Federal Expenditures
<b>United States Department of Agriculture</b>				
<i>Passed Through the State of Connecticut Department of Education:</i>				
Child Nutrition Cluster:				
National School Lunch Program - Commodities	10.555	12060-SDE64370-20560	\$ 37,233	\$
National School Lunch Program	10.555	12060-SDE64370-20560	180,462	
COVID-19 National School Lunch Program	10.555	12060-SDE64370-29572	168,238	
COVID-19 National School Lunch Program	10.555	12060-SDE64370-29576	96,888	
School Breakfast Program	10.553	12060-SDE64370-20508	<u>26,874</u>	
				<u>509,695</u>
<b>United States Department of Transportation</b>				
<i>Passed Through the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation:</i>				
Alcohol Open Container Requirements	20.607	12062-DOT57513-22091		<u>55,119</u>
<b>United States Environmental Protection Agency</b>				
<i>Passed Through the State of Connecticut Department of Public Health:</i>				
Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Cluster:				
Capitalization Grants for Drinking Water State Revolving Funds	66.468	12060-DPH48770-22467		<u>63,210</u>
<b>United States Department of Health and Human Services</b>				
<i>Passed Through United Way:</i>				
Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services	93.243	Not provided		<u>5,960</u>
<b>United States Department of Homeland Security</b>				
<i>Passed Through the State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection:</i>				
Emergency Management Performance Grants	97.042	12060-DPS32160-21881		<u>9,570</u>
<b>United States Department of Justice</b>				
<i>Passed Through the State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management:</i>				
Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program	16.738	12060-OPM20350-21921		<u>6,124</u>
<b>United States Department of Education</b>				
<i>Passed Through the State of Connecticut Department of Education:</i>				
Special Education Cluster (IDEA):				
Special Education_Grants to States	84.027	12060-SDE64370-20977-2020	376,881	
Special Education_Grants to States	84.027	12060-SDE64370-20977-2019	145,084	
Special Education_Grants to States	84.027	12060-SDE64215-20977-2018	12,000	
Special Education_Preschool Grants	84.173	12060-SDE64370-20983-2020	<u>11,371</u>	
				545,336
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	12060-SDE64370-20679-2020	176,064	
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	12060-SDE64370-20679-2019	<u>39,984</u>	
				216,048
Improving Teacher Quality State Grants	84.367	12060-SDE64370-20858-2020	24,701	
Improving Teacher Quality State Grants	84.367	12060-SDE64370-20858-2019	<u>7,970</u>	
				32,671
Title IV - Student Support	84.424	12060-SDE64370-22854-2020	15,610	
Title IV - Student Support	84.424	12060-SDE64370-22854-2019	<u>17,621</u>	
				<u>33,231</u>
Total United States Department of Education				<u>827,286</u>
<b>Total Federal Awards</b>			\$ <u><u>-</u></u>	\$ <u><u>1,476,964</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this schedule

**TOWN OF EAST LYME, CONNECTICUT  
NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

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**1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Basis of Presentation**

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (the Schedule) includes the federal award activity of the Town of East Lyme, Connecticut, under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2020. The information in the Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance).

Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the Town of East Lyme, Connecticut, it is not intended to, and does not, present the financial position, changes in fund balance, changes in net position or cash flows of the Town of East Lyme, Connecticut.

**Basis of Accounting**

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.

**2. INDIRECT COST RECOVERY**

The Town of East Lyme, Connecticut, has elected not to use the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate provided under Section 200.414 of the Uniform Guidance.

**3. NONCASH AWARDS**

Donated commodities in the amount of \$37,233 are included in the Department of Agriculture's National School Lunch Program, CFDA #10.555. The amount represents the market value of commodities received.



**Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control over  
Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters  
Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in  
Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards***

To the Members of the Town Council  
Town of East Lyme, Connecticut

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of East Lyme, Connecticut, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town of East Lyme, Connecticut's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated May 13, 2021.

**Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Town of East Lyme, Connecticut's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of East Lyme, Connecticut's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of East Lyme, Connecticut's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and, therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified. We did identify a certain deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as items 2020-001, that we consider to be a material weakness.

## **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Town of East Lyme, Connecticut's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

## **The Town of East Lyme, Connecticut's Response to Findings**

The Town of East Lyme, Connecticut's response to the findings identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. The Town of East Lyme, Connecticut's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements, and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

## **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of East Lyme, Connecticut's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Town of East Lyme, Connecticut's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Clifton Larson Allen LLP".

West Hartford, Connecticut  
May 13, 2021

**TOWN OF EAST LYME, CONNECTICUT  
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

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**I. SUMMARY OF AUDITORS' RESULTS**

**Financial Statements**

Type of auditors' report issued: Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

- Material weakness(es) identified?   X   yes        no
- Significant deficiency(ies) identified?        yes   X   none reported
- Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?        yes   X   no

**Federal Awards**

Internal control over major programs:

- Material weakness(es) identified?        yes   X   no
- Significant deficiency(ies) identified?   X   yes        none reported

Type of auditors' report issued on compliance for major programs: Unmodified

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR Section 200.516(a)?   X   yes        no

Major programs:

CFDA #	Name of Federal Program or Cluster
10.553/10.555	Child Nutrition Cluster
84.027/84.173	Special Education Cluster

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs: \$750,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?        yes   X   no

**II. FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS**

**2020-001**

Internal Controls over Financial Reporting

**Criteria**

Town management is responsible for financial reporting in the form of financial statements that present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position, changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows for governmental activities, business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town.

**Condition**

During the course of our engagement, we proposed significant audit adjustments that would not have been identified as a result of the Town's existing internal controls.

**Context**

Significant audit adjustments were recorded across multiple funds.

**Effect**

Management does not have accurate financial information upon which to base management decisions.

**Cause**

The cause is the lack of effective controls over financial reporting.

**Recommendation**

We recommend the Town evaluate the internal controls over financial reporting in order to design and implement effective controls.

**Views of Responsible Officials**

Management agrees with the finding.

**III. FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS****Finding No. 2020-002**

Procurement Policy

Federal Agency: U.S. Department of Agriculture

Federal Program Title: Child Nutrition Cluster

CFDA Number: 10.553/10.555

Pass-Through Agency: State of Connecticut Department of Education

Pass-Through Number(s): 12060-SDE64370-20508 / 12060-SDE64370-20560 / 12060-SDE64370-29572 / 12060-SDE64370-29576

Award Period: July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020

Type of Finding: Significant Deficiency in Internal Control over Compliance

**Criteria or Specific Requirement**

The Board of Education must comply with procurement standards set out at 2 CFR sections 200.318 through 200.326 within Uniform Guidance.

**Condition**

The Board of Education's procurement standards do not include all the essential elements as outlined in 2 CFR sections 200.318 through 200.326.

**Questioned Costs**

None noted.

**Context**

The Board of Education does not have a policy in place in conformity with the federal Uniform Guidance criteria.

**Cause**

The Board of Education was unaware of the details surrounding the new procurement standards.

**Effect**

With the absence of a compliant policy, the Board of Education is at risk for noncompliance as it relates to federal procurement.

**Recommendation**

We recommend that the management review its formal procurement policies and make necessary changes to comply with the criteria as set out in 2 CFR sections 200.318 and 200.326.

**Views of Responsible Officials**

Management agrees with the finding and is in the process of updating its procurement policies to be in compliance with Uniform Guidance.

